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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL****MAIL STOP RCE**Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or  
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/986,178
Confirmation Number	4955
Filing Date	November 07, 2001
First Named Inventor	Masakazu Nishikawa
Group Art Unit	2651
Examiner Name	Glenda P. Rodriguez
Matter Number	Q66603
Title	METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MAGNETIC TRANSFER AND MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on July 6, 2004
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a  
period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all  
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any  
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

**CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**

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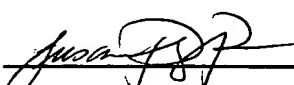
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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q66603

Masakazu Nishikawa

Appln. No.: 09/986,178

Confirmation No.: 4955

Group Art Unit: 2651

Filed: November 07, 2001

Examiner: Glenda P. Rodriguez

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)**

**MAIL STOP RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.



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**EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c) is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	22	20	=	2	X	\$18.00	= \$36.00
Independent	4	4	=		X	\$88.00	= \$.00
<b>TOTAL</b>							<b>= \$36.00</b>

A check for the statutory fee of \$36.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to

Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter  
U.S. Appln No. 09/986,178

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Respectfully submitted,

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